red Question 1229 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th July, 1996 and state:

(a) whether Government have since taken any decision about the manner in which the interest amount accrued on MPLADS funds is to be utilized;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government would consider allowing the interest accrued to be credited to MPLADS funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI YOGENDER KUMAR ALAGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Government is considering the issue of utilisation of interest accrued on MPLADS funds.

Implementation of P.M.'s package programmes

651. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the package programmes an nounced by the Prime Minister in the country date-wise alongwith amounts and the beneficiary States;

(b) the implementation of how many of them has been started and how many are yet to be implemented; and

(c) the subjects on which stress has been given under the said package programmes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) Announcements have been made by the Prime Minister recently regarding various programmes/schemes/ projects for the economic development of the Seven North Eastern States *viz.,* Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura and the State of Jammu & Kashmir. The details of the New Initiatives announced for the North Eastern States by the Prime Minister on 27th October, 1996 were placed in the House in reply to unstarred question No. 1292 on 4th December, 1996. As regards J & K, the Prime Minister had made announcements on the Floor of Parliament on 23rd July, 1996 and 2nd August, 1996. A further statement was made by the Prime Minister regarding J & K during his visit to Jammu on 14th February, 1997. A copy of the statement made on 14th February, 1997 is at Annexure. *[Appendix 180, Annexure No. 11]*

(b) and (c) The details regarding implementation of various programmes/ schemes etc. for North Eastern States and J&K are enclosed at annexure. *[See Appendix 180, Annexure No 12]* The stress under these programmes/schemes/ projects has been on building economic and social infrastructure.

Dues of Central Power Sector Undertakings from SEBs

652. SHRI SUNDER SINGH BHANDARI:
DR. MOHAN BABU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the state-wise break-up of the dues of Central Government PSU from the State Governments and State Electricity Boards for the year 1996-97;

(b) the state-wise figures of Central Plan Assistance to State Governments in 1996-97;

(c) what is the procedure of deductions and the amount to be deducted in each year from 1997-98 onwards; and

(d) the means explored to make up the losses incurred by the NTPC in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) A Statement indicating the outstanding dues